
**ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
MEETING NOTICE**

TO: Chairman Edward C. Hurley
Commissioner Erin M. O'Connell-Diaz
Commissioner Kevin K. Wright

FROM: Commissioner Robert F. Lieberman
Commissioner Lula M. Ford

DATE: July 28, 2005

SUBJECT: **BPL Tutorial**
Wednesday, August 3, 2005, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., Chicago, Illinois

We are pleased to announce a Broadband over Power Line (BPL) Tutorial on **August 3, 2005**, in the Commission's Chicago Office, 160 N. LaSalle Street, Suite C-800. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. An audio hook-up to the Springfield Office, 527 E. Capitol Ave, Hearing Room A will also be provided

Scheduled presenters are:

- Don Harker, Navigant Consulting, An Overview of BPL. Mr. Harker is a Director with Navigant Consulting. He has been working with utility companies and agencies of the U.S. government to develop business plans for the implementation of BPL technology. He will be sharing some of his findings with us.
- Jason Bird, Village of Princeton. Princeton's Successful Implementation of BPL. Mr. Bird is the Superintendent of Electric & Telecommunications in the municipally owned electric and telecom system in Princeton. Princeton is located in western Illinois off of Interstate 80. When faced with the potential loss of one of its largest employers because of the lack of adequate broadband service, Princeton decided it was time to take matters into their own hands. As a result, they have successfully implemented a BPL system, have maintained their largest employer, and received an economic development grant from the Federal government to develop a technology park.
- Bob Mill, Director, Regulatory Policy-Planning and Greg Lovett, Managing Supervisor, Products and Services, Ameren, An Overview of the Cape Girardeau Pilot. Ameren initiated a BPL pilot in Cape Girardeau approximately 5 years ago. Messrs. Mill and Lovett will be discussing the results of that pilot, as well as some of

the regulatory hurdles that an investor-owned utility will need to resolve before fully engaging in BPL.

- Jay Birnbaum, President, Current Technologies, An Overview of Work done with Cinergy. Current Technologies is a privately held company that is focusing on building and delivering innovative BPL equipment and networks. Current Technologies is currently working with Cinergy, the large investor-owned utility located in Cincinnati, to develop offerings in the Cincinnati area.

Please allow 2 hours for this meeting.

cc: Commissioners' Assistants
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